Station 15 (oncology) at University Hospital Ayr has received a generous donation thanks to one of NHS Ayrshire & Arran’s physiotherapy assistants based at Girvan Community Hospital.

Senga McLaughlin decided to hold a 13-mile sponsored walk from Girvan to Dailly and back again, in memory of her friend, Roy Donnachie. Thanks to sponsorship and a very generous donation of £1,000 from her husband’s employer, Grants, Senga and the other sponsored walkers managed to raise a total of £2,844. The money is being divided between Station 15 and Macmillan Cancer Support.

Senga said: “When my friend Roy became ill, he was cared for in Station 15 at University Hospital Ayr and was also looked after by the Macmillan Cancer Support team. Over the years, Roy and I did lots of walks raising money for different charities. When he became ill, he asked that when I do the next one I split it equally between Macmillan and Station 15.

“We did the walk on Easter Sunday and managed to raise £1,844 with the further £1,000 donation from Grants. The total was split equally for Station 15 and Macmillan. I would like to thank everyone who took part and who supported us in providing sponsorship. Roy would be very happy with the amazing amount that was raised. I know the money will go towards helping other people who are diagnosed with cancer.”

Ends

Date of release: Friday 8 May 2015
The sponsored walkers get ready for their 13-mile hike

The cheques for £1,422 are handed over to Station 15 and Macmillan Cancer Support

For further media enquiries about this topic, please contact:

Luan Johnston
Communications Officer
NHS Ayrshire & Arran
University Hospital Crosshouse
Kilmarnock KA2 0BB

Telephone: 01563 826111
Out-of-hours: 07769 648975

Luan.johnston@aaaht.scot.nhs.uk